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## Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society Newsletter



### October Meeting

#### Annual General Meeting 6th October 2015 7.30pm Oaklands Museum

On Tuesday October-6 it's AGM time once again! This is your opportunity to hear our progress over the year and to vote for your choice of both new and standing members of the Committee, as well as some updates to the CARS Constitution.

There will be the annual reports from the Club's officers, and presentations for 'The Amateur of the Year Award', certificates for the Construction Competition and the 'M1FDE Shield'

In addition to reports and elections, there will be an opportunity for members to voice their suggestions for future events and overall running of the Society.

After the break there will, of course, be the usual much renowned CARS raffle organised by Carl G3PEM. Following which, John G8DET will give another of his outstanding pictorial presentations covering CARS activities during 2015 and much more.

- Thinking of joining the CARS committee?
- Would you like to help in planning the Club's future activities?
- Are you good at helping organise public events?
- Do you have a 'special interest' you would like to introduce to CARS?

At the next meeting members will have the opportunity to stand for election and put their ideas into practice. Please contact a committee member or Secretary Colin G0TRM (before the day).

### Dates for your Diary

Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> ; 20 <sup>th</sup> ; 27 <sup>th</sup>	CARS - Evening Radio Nets @ 8:00 pm (Local). See <a href="#">Website</a> for details.
Every Monday	Essex Ham 2m Net @ 2000h GB3DA
Tuesday 6th October	CARS Meeting - AGM
Thursday 8th October	Foundation Licence Examination
Thursday 15th October	Essex Repeater Group AGM. Danbury Village Hall 7:30 for 8pm start
Monday 19th October	CARS Skills Night, 7pm Danbury Village Hall

**Nets** Tuesdays 2000h (#2) GB3DA, (#3) GB3ER, (#4) 3.756MHz, (#5) 1.947MHz

Also there is the Essex Ham net every Monday @ 2000h on GB3DA

**Net Controller for September is Carl, G3PEM      Thanks to Peter, M0PSD for August**

**Future contact details for the newsletter [editor@g0mwt.org.uk](mailto:editor@g0mwt.org.uk) with Steve, G4GHO taking over.**

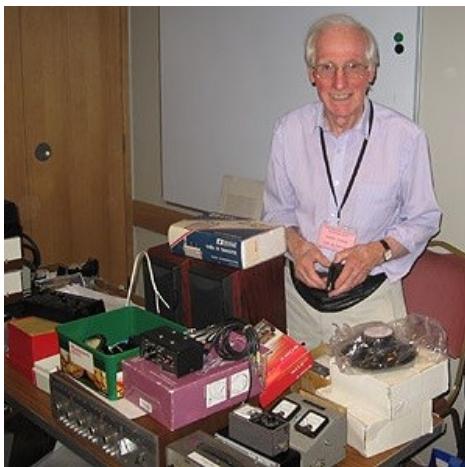
Thanks to all who contributed during my time as editor, especially the prolific duo of Charlie, MoPZT and Pete, MoPSX.

Alan, G0RTH

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## September Meeting Tue 1st September-2015



### Table Top Sale

Thanks to Colin for organising what turned out to be a well-attended Meeting with good humour and people buying bits and pieces

Thanks to CARS members who booked tables, to those who purchased things, to David and Myra for refreshments, to Carl for the successful raffle and to Chris G0IPU as master of ceremonies.

Overall, sufficient funds were raised to more than cover expenses.

**John G8DET**

*[Link to Website coverage](#)*



## October Meeting CARS Constitution, Proposed Changes

Changes are proposed to assist earlier closure of accounts (by amending the financial year) and clarify membership subscriptions/expiry. The October AGM date would remain unchanged. The opportunity is also used to clarify committee voting. The proposed changes to Sections 4 & 5 are:-

### **4 SUBSCRIPTIONS**

#### Current Wording

- a) The Subscription rate shall be reviewed at each Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- b) All subscriptions are due from the close of the AGM.
- c) The financial year shall run from first of October to the end of September of the following year.
- d) Members joining during the year shall pay a subscription at the Hon. Treasurer's discretion.

#### Proposed Wording

### **4 SUBSCRIPTIONS**

- a) The financial year of the Society shall run from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> August of the following year.
- b) The Annual Subscription rate shall be that as approved by the Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- c) All subscriptions are due immediately following the AGM and must be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> January. After which, if not paid, the membership will be deemed to have lapsed.
- d) New members joining during the year shall pay a subscription at the Committee's discretion.

As the ex-officio term can be ambiguous, a clarification on committee voting rights and casting votes is proposed by a modification and expansion of the original clause 5c as per below. This aligns with the view that the Presidential role is essentially an honorary/advisory one.

### **5 COMMITTEE**

#### Current Wording

- c) The President and Vice-President shall be ex-officio Members of the Committee

#### Proposed Wording

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- c) The President and Vice-President shall be ex-officio Members of the Committee, but have no committee voting rights
- d) The Chairman has the casting vote

**Note:** A copy of the full CARS Constitution is currently online at- <http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/society/comfold/carscon.pdf>

# Silent Key: CARS Training Manager, Clive Ward, G1EUC

22-Apr-1946 - 4-Sep-2015, Age 69

It is with great sadness that we have to report that CARS Training Manager Clive Ward, G1EUC, passed away on the evening of Friday 4th September, 2015. CARS sends his Family our Sympathy.

## Tribute

I first spoke to Clive, amateur call sign G1EUC, in the early 1990's when I had a problem setting up my data station. Over the telephone he gave me a lot of advice which solved the problem. I thought then, as I put the phone down, what a helpful guy and that opinion has not changed.

A few years later when the amateur radio examination system changed, a team of us in CARS including Clive began offering courses for those who wished to take the exam. Clive volunteered to be the central point of contact for students who wished to join the courses. We all thought the numbers would be in the tens, which would involve not much time or paper work.

How wrong we were; with Clive's organisational skills and his aptitude in filling the courses; over the years CARS has trained hundreds of students allowing them to pass the different exam levels. This had given Clive many hours of work and masses of paperwork and always carried out with a smile and a joke or two.

My first opinion has stood the test of time.

It is a tribute to Clive's efforts that CARS is recognised as one of the foremost study centres in the country.

Clive was also one of the most respected amateurs in Essex, from his setting up one of the first data nodes in the late 1980's to being an active member of the Essex repeater group, (he was Chairman this year). He was also a member of several other Essex amateur radio societies and he has helped them with their training efforts.

The amateur radio community in Essex has lost one of its inspirational members.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has lost a great hard working stalwart.

I have lost a good friend.



**Carl Thomson, President Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society**

## Possible /MM Operation

During the weekend of 24th October I was planning to be operating HF/MM on Anthem of the Seas, see link <https://www.qrz.com/db/xe1gR>

It would be nice to work some local stations and get a mention in the club newsletter, I will be able to send some pics of me in the radio shack when I get back.

However, XE1GR has just been re-deployed to help with the build of another new ship, Harmony of the Seas, and is taking his HF gear with him. I'll still be on-board Anthem in October but will likely only have my D-Star handheld with me but will try to have some QSO's back into the UK on this if I can get a signal, 2m travels quite far out to sea. Can't wait! Very excited

**Joel, G0URK**

## For Sale

Trio (Kenwood) receiver, model R600 in a good, clean for its age, fully working condition. Used as a bedside receiver and now replaced with a smaller receiver. £60 ovno

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Collection from Basildon with a free coffee included or local delivery at fuel cost.

